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No Gains in Greek Hunt for Killer

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ATHENS, April 18 — Two weeks after a prominent Greek industrialist was killed on a busy Athens street by a man who wore no mask and threatened witnesses with his gun, the Greek security police say they have no information on the assailant despite the widespread distribution of his description and the offering of a \$350,000 reward.

The industrialist, Dimitris Angelopoulos, the 79-year-old president of Halivourgiki, Greece's largest iron and steel mills, was killed in daylight on April 7 as he walked to work, according to the police. They said that after shooting Mr. Angelopoulos, the gunman, who made no attempt to conceal his face, sped off on a motor bike driven by an accomplice.

Daring and Repetitive

In a 12-page statement placed on the pavement next to the body, responsibility for the slaying was claimed by a terrorist group called November 17. The group became known in December 1975, when it claimed responsibility for the killing of Richard S. Welch, the Central Intelligence Agency's station chief in Athens.

Since then, the group has claimed 10 more killings and scores of bomb attacks. According to the Greek police, its activity appears to have nothing to do with other recent terrorist incidents related to the Middle East in Greece and elsewhere.

According to the authorities, the November 17 group, which is named for the date of a 1973 uprising against the old military dictatorship, has been as elusive as it has been daring in its selection of targets and repetitive in its methods. In almost all the attacks, the police said, the same revolver was used and the statements came from the same typewriter.

After killing Mr. Welch outside his Athens home, the group over the next 10 years assassinated four senior police officers of the military junta and two conservative newspaper publishers.

In November 1983 it killed a United Navy captain, George Tsantes, who headed the Joint United States Military Assistance Program for Greece. A year later it wounded a United States Army sergeant. Last November it staged a bomb attack against an armored police vehicle that killed one officer and wounded 22 others.

The group has always followed up its actions with statements explaining its ideological and strategic goals. In all cases it has expressed its commitment to rid Greece of American and NATO military bases and to disrupt the Greek and foreign business establishment.

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